

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

The following is a marked-up version of the claims with the language that is underlined (“___”) being added and the language that contains strikethrough (“—”) being deleted:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for capturing an image, comprising the steps of:

specifying a user-adjustable sclera setting corresponding to a threshold amount of sclera desired to be present in a captured image with respect to faces in the captured image;

storing the sclera setting in a memory;

determining that an image preview includes ~~at least one~~ faces;

determining an amount of sclera in the image preview associated with each of the faces;

retrieving ~~[[a]]~~ the sclera setting; and

capturing the image when the determined amount of sclera of each of the faces in the image preview is at least equal to the sclera setting.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of retrieving the sclera setting further comprises the step of retrieving a default sclera setting.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of arming a white eye portraiture program such that the steps of determining, determining an

amount of sclera, retrieving and capturing is performed only when the white eye portraiture program is armed.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the amount of sclera is expressed as a percentage of sclera expected in the face.

6. (Currently Amended) A system for capturing digital images, comprising:
a photosensor configured to detect an image;
a memory configured to store ~~at least a~~ user-adjustable sclera setting corresponding to a threshold amount of sclera desired to be present in a captured image with respect to faces in the captured image;

a processor configured to determine when at least one face is present in the detected image, and further configured to determine an amount of sclera present in ~~[[the]]~~ each said face so that the determined amount of sclera is compared to the sclera setting with respect to each said face; and

an actuator configured to initiate capture of the detected image such that the detected image is captured when the determined amount of sclera with respect to each said face is at least equal to the sclera setting.

7. (Original) The system of claim 6, further comprising a sclera specifying device such that the sclera setting is specified through the sclera specifying device.

8. (Original) The system of claim 7, wherein the sclera setting specified by the sclera specifying device is stored in the memory.

9. (Original) The system of claim 7, wherein the sclera setting is detected from the sclera specifying device.

10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 6, further comprising a predefined, default sclera setting such that the default sclera setting is specified by the predefined sclera setting unless an input corresponding to a user-adjustment of the sclera setting is received.

11. (Original) The system of claim 6, wherein the amount of sclera is expressed as a percentage of sclera expected in the face.

12. (Original) The system of claim 6, further comprising an arming controller configured to arm a white eye portraiture program such that the image is captured only when the white eye portraiture program is armed.

13. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein the arming controller comprises a display screen and a menu program such that the arming controller is armed by executing the menu program.

14. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein the arming controller comprises a control button such that the arming controller is armed by actuating the control button.

15. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein the arming controller comprises a sclera specifying device such that the arming controller is armed by actuating the sclera specifying device and such that the sclera setting is specified according to a setting of the sclera specifying device.

16. (Currently Amended) A program for increasing an amount of visible sclera in a captured image, the program being stored as a computer readable medium, the program comprising:

logic configured to arm the program;

logic configured to determine whether a preview image includes at least one face;

logic configured to determine whether the preview image includes an amount of sclera corresponding to a threshold amount of sclera desired to be present in a captured image with respect to faces in the captured image; and

logic configured to capture a digital image responsive to a user input, such that:

an image is captured when the preview image does not include ~~[[the]]~~ a face,

~~such that~~ the image is captured when the preview image includes ~~[[the]]~~ at least one face and the preview image includes at least the amount of sclera corresponding to the threshold amount of sclera, and

~~such that~~ the image is not captured when the preview image includes ~~[[the]]~~ a face and does not include at least the amount of sclera corresponding to the threshold amount of sclera.

17. (Currently Amended) The program of claim 16, further comprising:

logic configured to receive a user-adjustable sclera setting; and

logic configured to determine whether the preview image includes the amount of sclera at least equal to the user-adjustable sclera setting, such that the image is captured when the amount of sclera is at least equal to the user-adjustable sclera setting.

18. (New) The system of claim 6, further comprising means for arming a white eye portraiture program such that the image is captured only when the white eye portraiture program is armed.